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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Kerimovska et al.

Confirmation No.:9239

Serial No.: 10/539,238

Filed: June 16, 2005

For: DEVICE FOR GENERATING SPEECH, APPARATUS CONNECTABLE TO OR INCORPORATING SUCH A DEVICE, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT THEREFOR

Date: February 20, 2006

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING REQUIREMENTS**

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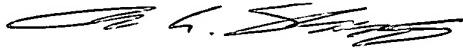
This paper is submitted in response to the Notice to File Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US), mailed February 10, 2006 ("the Notice"). The Notice requires submission of a declaration of the inventors and payment of the late oath or declaration surcharge. Applicants submit that the Notice was issued in error and should be withdrawn for the reasons discussed below. A copy of the Notice is enclosed.

The present application is a national stage of a PCT application that was filed with a Declaration of Inventorship under PCT Rule 4.17 for meeting the declaration requirements for US national stage applications. As a courtesy, enclosed is a copy of the signed PCT Power of Attorney and Declaration of Inventorship under Rule 4.17. Also enclosed is a copy of the publication bibliography for corresponding International Publication Number WO 04/055779, published on July 1, 2004, which indicates the Declaration of inventors was filed under PCT Rule 4.17. Accordingly, Applicants submit that the application as filed meets the requirements for an oath or declaration of the inventors. As such, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the Notice and acceptance of the national stage application.

No fee is believed due, as Applicants believe the Notice was issued in error. However, if any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor.

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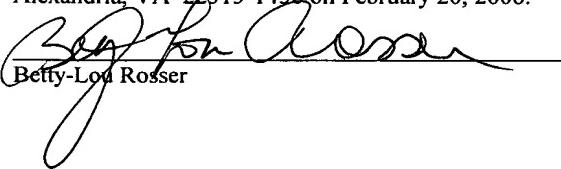


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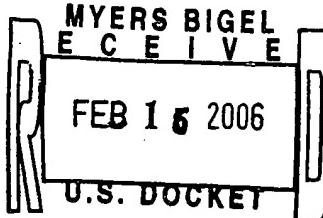


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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/16/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/16/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 06/16/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/16/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 06/16/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 06/16/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/16/2005
- Specification filed on 06/16/2005
- Claims filed on 06/16/2005
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:



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Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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